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TOPIC KVP Unit in Prenzlau

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REFERENCES			
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1. A map exercise on an unidentified problem was held for all officers, NCOs and EM of the unit headquarters in Prenzlau from 9 to 12 March. Officers of Armeegruppe Nord in Pasewalk who participated included: Major General ^{Hermann} Rensch, chief of Armeegruppe Nord; Colonel Dr Geiger (fmu), chief physician of Armeegruppe Nord; Lieutenant Colonel Riedel (fmu), chief of staff; Lieutenant Colonel Petter (fmu), chief B; and Major Litfin (fmu), chief of the engineer arm. Other officers present included: Colonel Neitsch (fmu), Lieutenant Colonel Heinicke (fmu), Major Gast (fmu), Major Bergmann (fmu), Major Wolke (fmu), Major Gerds (fmu), Major Eger (fmu), Captain Skrabania (fmu), Captain Kehr (fmu), Captain Heine (fmu), Senior Lieutenant Aporius (fmu), Senior Lieutenant Quarch (fmu), Senior Lieutenant Galle (fmu), Senior Lieutenant Paehr (fmu), Senior Lieutenant Lange (fmu). Source learned on the occasion of this exercise that the unit had complete equipment of arms and ammunition of all sorts. ¹

2. Actual ration strengths of the Prenzlau unit determined from 10 February to 15 March were as follows:

10 February. 3,902 officers, NCOs and EM, 1 Soviet general and 68 Soviet instructors.

27 February. 3,892 officers, NCOs and EM, 1 Soviet general and 70 Soviet instructors.

15 March. 4,000 officers, NCOs and EM.

The ration strength of the C regiment in Driegsheide was 1,300 officers, NCOs and EM on 20 February and 1,600 officers, NCOs and EM on 12 March. The ration strength of the 1st A Regt in Pinnow was 3,250 officers, NCOs and EM on 20 February and 4,000 officers, NCOs and EM on 12 March.

3. On 25 February, delivery contracts for April, May and June 1953 were concluded with the HO organization and cooperative stores for a total of 10,000 men in Torgelow.

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4. On 27 February, 26 six-seat jeeps arrived at the Prenzlau unit headquarters from Bautzen. Source learned that they would be used for moving light guns. An increased number of cross-country vehicles was expected to arrive in March.²
5. A combat firing of all B weapons of the unit was scheduled to take place in the area of Droegeheide from 14 to 18 March.
6. The Prenzlau unit and all subordinate units were scheduled to be concentrated in the Droegeheide-Torgelow area by 1 April. An advance detail of 280 officers, NCOs and EM was expected to arrive in Droegeheide as early as 16 March.³
7. In mid-March, source learned that the Dienst fuer Deutschland camps under the administration of the unit would soon be reoccupied. Source stated that the camps had not been vacated because this organization was dissolved but rather because most of the Dienst fuer Deutschland personnel were scheduled to be drafted into the KVP.⁴

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1. Comment. The names and assignments of most of the officers indicated are known from information by deserters.

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2. Comment. The KVP units apparently received a continuous supply of new motor vehicles for the completion of their motor equipment from plants in East Germany.

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3. Comment. See also

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4. Comment. Information on the planned incorporation of a large number of Dienst fuer Deutschland personnel with the KVP was previously submitted. See

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